

Keepsakes Memory Book

What you will need to create this project:

Cardstock measuring 27 x 10.5 cm

5 x A4 sheets coloured paper - 5 colours

Embroidery cotton

Large darning needle

Corner rounder punch

Small circular punch

Piercing tool & cutting mat

Pencil, ruler & scissors

Adhesive



How to assemble this project:

Begin with the page pockets. Working on one of the sheets of coloured paper in horizontal position, measure & mark up both sides at 1 cm & 11 cm. Score in these lines & fold forming an enclosed pocket. Add adhesive to the 1 cm flap & secure within the pocket. Repeat on remaining 4 sheets of coloured paper. Trim each to measure 23 cm wide.

Using the small circular punch, create a thumb notch centrally at each open end of the pocket. Then beginning with the colour chosen as the central pocket, fold this exactly in half. Wrap the second pocket around the first, but allowing it to protrude at the back by approx 4 mm, stagger the remaining three pockets in the same way, creasing firmly. See image of completed folds to right.



Using the corner punch, round off the four corners of the card & fold exactly in half & crease well. Wrap this around the pockets ensuring that everything is central & nudged right into the fold. Open up the work on your cutting mat & carefully push the piercing tool through the work centrally in the fold, ensuring you pierce through all layers. Work the tool to widen the hole & then create two more holes, one 2 cm above the first & the other 2 cm below, all contained within the fold.

Load the darning needle with the embroidery cotton & beginning at the first central hole, push the needle through to the outside, down to the lower hole & back through to the inside, back out through the central hole & finally in through the upper hole. Repeat until you feel the work will be secure when the pockets are loaded with memorabilia.

Decorate the cover as desired. Here I made a slip band from the same card I used as panels on the front & back of the book. I then decorated the band. It can be stored on the front cover when the book is in use & then slipped over the whole book to when finished - as in main picture.

